which must sometime have first started the series. Now
this *First cause* cannot be matter itself, for matter has no
spontaneity of action. The essential idea of matter is that
it is inert, as already stated above; remains in its present
condition for ever unless disturbed by some external agency.
If matter did not observe this law, no science of it would be
possible. In whatever condition and position matter originally
existed, in that it must always have remained. To start the
evolution of the universe, therefore, some external agency^
possessed of spontaneity, acting upon matter, must be
inferred. As the only spontaneous agent we know of is
self-conscious free-will, the Will of some Supreme Being must
be regarded as The Great First Cause.

Lord Kelvin, popularly known as the Investigator of Nature, was, a'Cter a research extending over a period of sixty years, prompted to announce to the world in unequivocal language that " *the phenomena of living things, such as a sprig of mass, a microbe, a living animal and the mutual interdependence of vegetable and animal life and the wonderful design displayed in them, looked and considered as a matter of scientific investigation, compels us to conclude that there is a scientific reason for believing in the existence of a Creative Mind and Directing Power.*"

1 shall give below just a few most convincing instances of the display of this Creative, Directing and Designing Mind and Power in Nature taken at random from different departments of Science.

The Mathematician, the Geologist, the Astronomer, the
Naturalist, the Biologist and the Physiologist, among others^

are all able to tell us that there are objects
in nature which
are constructed and regulated in their
functions and move-
ments according to definite and immutable
laws—laws
characterised by super-human wisdom,
working not only
for particular ends but working together
in perfect harmony
for the preservation and welfare of the
whole universe